Tiffany Zulkosky—House District 38 Representative—Alaska Democratic Party Primary Candidate (D)

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Age: 34 years

Place of Birth: Anchorage

Occupation: Vice President of Communications, Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corporation

Length of Residency in Alaska: 34 years

Alaska Communities Lived in:

Bethel, 1984-2009 Anchorage, 2009-2011 Bethel, 2011-2013 Anchorage, 2013-2016 Bethel, 2016-Present

Education:

High School Diploma, Bethel Regional High School, 1998-2002 Bachelor's in Organizational Communication, Northwest University, Kirkland, WA, 2002-2006

Master's in Public Administration, University of Alaska Southeast, Juneau, AK, 2013-2015

Political and Government Positions:

Council Member, Bethel City Council, 2007-2008 Mayor, Bethel City Council, 2008-2009 Representative, Alaska State House, 2018

Business and Professional Positions:

Rural Director, U.S. Senator Mark Begich, 2009-2011 Executive Director, Nuvista Light & Electric Cooperative, 2013-2015

Service Organization(s) Membership: Bethel Chamber of Commerce Board Member, 2007-2008

Special Interests: Alaska Native Dialogues on Racial Equity Host & Visionary Council Member, First Alaskans, 2010-Present

Other:

Born and raised in Bethel, Tiffany is both Yup'ik and Polish. She is the daughter of Joe Hinz of Kipnuk and Patricia Zulkosky of Baudette, MN, and Bethel. Tiffany has experience in local, state, and federal policy and works full-time in external affairs at YKHC.

Position Statement:

Intending to pursue a career in journalism after university, opportunities would lead Tiffany to public service early in her career.

In 2007, Tiffany won an election to Bethel City Council. She served a year in her term, before being appointed by her colleagues to serve as Bethel's Mayor at the age of 24. Tiffany worked on federal policy issues with tribes and community leaders following an appointment to serve as Rural Director for U.S. Senator Mark Begich in early 2009. Tiffany resumed her career in public service in 2018, when she was appointed by Gov. Walker as the Representative for House District 38 in the State Legislature.

Growing up and working in the YK Delta developed and deepened Tiffany's respect, understanding, and commitment to the ways of life in her home region. She has enjoyed the privilege of elected office and working with policymakers and regional non-profits on complex policy issues that impact lives in rural Alaska. These opportunities taught her the importance of advancing community needs and cultural values prioritized in District 38.

Alaska is faced with historic fiscal and policy challenges changing the landscape of state government. Budget and policy solutions will require courageous leadership, willing to consider innovative approaches. In rural Alaska, the impacts to state-funded programs - like education, public safety, and healthcare - are wide-reaching and have long-lasting implications. Tiffany is committed to protecting critical services and programs, and the overall well-being of communities in rural southwest Alaska.